

# STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING



May 22, 2009

# **MEMORANDUM**

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman

SUBJECT: Approval of Criteria for Consolidated Application Grant Programs made

available under The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

The Field Services Unit of the Office of School Improvement anticipates receiving approximately \$370,407,729 of federal funds under The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 which are to be distributed as formula grants within the Consolidated Application. Federal regulations specify the formula to be used for each individual grant program.

The formulas recommended for the 2009-10 school year, which are outlined in Attachment A, are consistent with federal regulations and support the strategic goal as identified in the State Board of Education/Michigan Department of Education Strategic Plan.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education approve the Criteria for Consolidated Application Grant Programs—Title I, Part A, Improving Basic Programs and Title I, Part D, Subpart 2, Local Programs for At-Risk Youth—made available under The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, authorized by P.L. 111-5 as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated May 22, 2009.

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Criteria for <u>Consolidated Application Grant Programs made available under</u>
<u>The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009</u>

The State Board of Education has adopted as its Strategic Goal "Attain substantial and meaningful improvement in academic achievement for all students/children with primary emphasis on high priority schools and students."

To the extent possible, all grant criteria and grant awards will serve to further attain the above goal, and the Board's Vision and Principles of Universal Education.

# PRIORITIES, POLICIES, AND PROGRAMS THAT THESE CRITERIA SUPPORT

The Consolidated Application Program Grants support the Board's goal of attaining substantial and meaningful improvement in academic achievement for all students/childre with primary emphasis on high priority schools and students.
BACKGROUND/PURPOSE OF GRANT
☐ Competitive <b>X</b> Formula <b>X</b> New ☐ Continuation ( <i>check all that apply</i> )
The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) provides new funding for programs under Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA). The funds made available under the ARRA provide an unprecedented opportunity for educators to implement innovative strategies to improve education for academically at risk students and to close the achievement gap in Title I schools while stimulating the economy. The additional resources for Title I will enable LEAs not only to serve more students but also to help boost the quality of services provided. The Title I programs receiving additional funds under the ARRA are:
<ul> <li>A. Title I, Part A, Improving Basic Programs - To help disadvantaged children meet high academic standards through participation in a schoolwide program designed to strengthen the entire educational program, or a targeted assistance program designed to provide additional instruction to low-achieving students.</li> <li>B. Title I, Part D, Subpart 2, Local Programs for At-Risk Youth - (a) To improve educational services for children and youth in local institutions for neglected or delinquent children and youth so that they have the opportunity to meet the same challenging State academic content and State student achievement standards that all children in the State are expected to meet; (b) provide these children with services to enable them to transition successfully from institutionalization to further schooling or employment; and (c) prevent at-risk youth from dropping out of school as well as to provide dropouts and children and youth returning from correctional facilities or institutions for neglected or delinquent children and youth, with a support system to ensure their continued education.</li> </ul>
CRITERIA
Date criteria were last approved

**D** Defined in Department's Approved

**Grant Application to the Funder** 

**X** Defined in Legislation

□ Proposed by

Staff

# A. Title I, Part A, Improving Basic Programs:

- Allocation formula based on counts of low-income children (census poverty count)
  plus number of resident foster and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
  children as reported by the Michigan Department of Human Services;
- allocation formula for public school academies based on October equated free lunch count;
- minimum of 10 low-income children based on census poverty data/equated count for district/academy, respectively, to be eligible for allocation;
- targeted and Education Finance Incentive Grants (EFIG) target districts/academies with more than 5 percent poverty;
- hold-harmless guarantee between 85-100 percent, depending on poverty percentage and meeting the special hold-harmless provision, as long as the district/academy remains eligible:
- allocation formula for neglected institutions based on October count of 5-17 year old children/youth in facilities for delinquent children/youth as submitted by the facility on form FS-4685.

# B. Title I, Part D, Subpart 2, Local Programs for At-Risk Youth:

- Allocation formula based on October count of 5-17 year old children/youth in facilities for delinquent children/youth as submitted by the facility on form FS-4685;
- minimum of 50 children/youth in delinquent facilities during year in order for a
  district/intermediate school district (ISD) to be eligible for allocation. Facilities can be
  grouped within a district/ISD to meet the requirement of 50.

# ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS/TARGET POPULATION TO BE SERVED BY GRANT

# A. Title I, Part A, Improving Basic Programs:

Local school districts and public school academies; intermediate school districts administering consortium programs or programs for neglected children.

# B. Title I, Part D, Subpart 2, Local Programs for At-Risk Youth:

Local school districts, public school academies and intermediate school districts administering programs for neglected or delinquent children and youth.

#### **TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE**

# A. Title I, Part A, Improving Basic Programs:

Approximately \$363,535,046 for FY 2009-10

# B. Title I, Part D, Subpart 2, Local Programs for At-Risk Youth:

Approximately \$6,872,683 for FY 2009-10

# **LEGISLATION**

# A. Title I, Part A, Improving Basic Programs:

Title I, Part A, Improving Basic Programs of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as amended P.L. 107-110 No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 made available under The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) P.L. 111-5

### B. Title I, Part D, Subpart 2, Local Programs for At-Risk Youth:

Title I, Part D of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as amended by P.L. 107-110 of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 made available under The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) P.L. 111-5

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